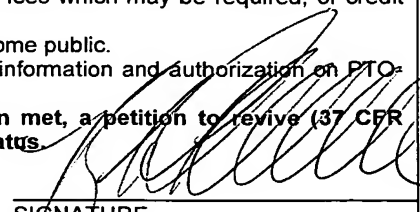


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/563,837	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/AT2003/000194	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 10 July 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED	
TITLE OF INVENTION DEVICE FOR PRODUCING EXPANDED FLAT MATERIAL			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Franz STUHLBACHER and Markus KRAICZAR			
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (23) indicated below. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (PCT Article 31). <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4). <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. .371(c)(4)). "Executed" <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). <p>Items 11 to 22 below concern other document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Assignee: <u>EXESS ENGINEERING GMBH, of Graz, Austria</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. <input type="checkbox"/> Figure of Drawing to be published: <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4). <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d) (4). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Cover Letter. Cover Letter Regarding Submission of Supplemental Application Data Sheet. Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements (PCT/DO/EO/905). 			

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24 <input type="checkbox"/> Examination Fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4).....100.00 All other situations.....200.00				\$ 0.00	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ 0.00	
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$ 0.00	
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a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the above fees is included. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.					
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Neil F. Greenblum GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN, P.L.C. 1950 Roland Clark Place Reston, VA 20191 (703) 716-1191				SIGNATURE  Robert W. Mueller Reg. No. 35,043 NAME Neil F. Greenblum 28,394 REGISTRATION NUMBER	

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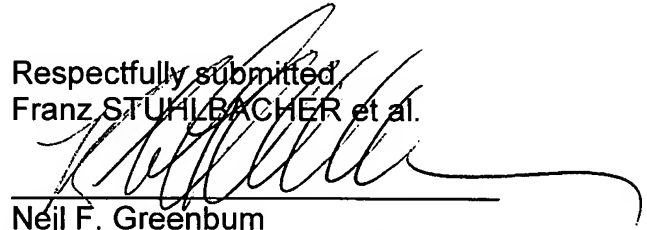
In order to comply with the requirements (copy enclosed) for the submission of an executed Declaration of the International Application set forth in the Notification mailed May 10, 2006 which sets a two-month period of response until July 10, 2006, Applicants hereby submit:

- Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371;
- an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- a Cover Letter Regarding Submission of Supplemental Application Data Sheet;
- a Supplemental Application Data Sheet;
- an Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO-1449, and references cited; and
- a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/09/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/09/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/09/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/09/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/09/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION,

WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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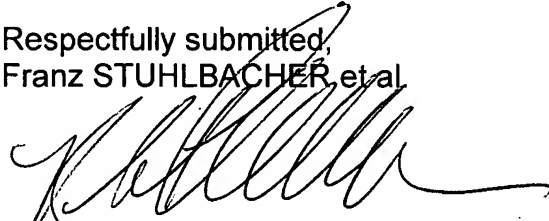
Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.76(c), Applicant submits herewith a Supplemental Application Data Sheet [hereinafter "SADS"].

Applicant notes that the SADS attached hereto is presented to ensure that all information regarding the instant application is available in the Patent Office's database.

Accordingly, Applicant requests entry of the attached SADS.

Respectfully submitted,
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